

ability of United States-based companies to compete with foreign-based companies in domestic and export markets.

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Deputy Administrator.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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Nuclear Management Company, LLC, Palisades Nuclear Plant; Notice of Availability of the Final Supplement 27 to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants, Regarding the License Renewal of Palisades Nuclear Plant

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC, Commission) has published a final plant-specific supplement to the "Generic Environmental Impact Statement for License Renewal of Nuclear Plants" (GEIS), NUREG-1437, regarding the renewal of operating license DPR-20 for the Palisades Nuclear Plant (Palisades) for an additional 20 years of operation. Palisades is located on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan in Covert Township on the western side of Van Buren County, Michigan, approximately 4.5 miles south of the city limits of South Haven, Michigan. Possible alternatives to the proposed action (license renewal) include no action and reasonable alternative energy sources.

As discussed in Section 9.3 of the final Supplement 27, based on: (1) The analysis and findings in the GEIS; (2) the Environmental Report submitted by Nuclear Management Company, LLC; (3) consultation with Federal, State, and local agencies; (4) the staff's own independent review; and (5) the staff's consideration of public comments, the recommendation of the staff is that the Commission determine that the adverse environmental impacts of license renewal for Palisades are not so great that preserving the option of license renewal for energy-planning decision makers would be unreasonable.

The final Supplement 27 to the GEIS is publicly available at the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), located at One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland, or from the NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS). The ADAMS Public Electronic Reading Room is accessible at <http://>

adamswebsearch.nrc.gov/dologin.htm. The Accession Number for the final Supplement 27 to the GEIS is ML062710300. Persons who do not have access to ADAMS, or who encounter problems in accessing the documents located in ADAMS, should contact the NRC's PDR reference staff by telephone at 1-800-397-4209, or 301-415-4737, or by e-mail at pdr@nrc.gov. In addition, the South Haven Memorial Library, 314 Broadway Street, South Haven, Michigan, has agreed to make the final supplement 27 to the GEIS available for public inspection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Mr. Bo M. Pham, Environmental Branch B, Division of License Renewal, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC, 20555-0001. Mr. Pham may be contacted by telephone at 1-800-368-5642, extension 8450 or via e-mail at PalisadesEIS@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 12th day of October, 2006.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards; Meeting Notice

In accordance with the purposes of sections 29 and 182b. of the Atomic Energy Act (42 U.S.C. 2039, 2232b), the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) will hold a meeting on November 1-3, 2006, 11545 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland. The date of this meeting was previously published in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, November 22, 2005 (70 FR 70638).

Wednesday, November 1, 2006, Conference Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland

8:30 a.m.-8:35 a.m.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

8:35 a.m.-10 a.m.: Final Review of the License Renewal Application for the Palisades Nuclear Plant (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff and the Nuclear Management Company, LLC regarding the license renewal

application for the Palisades Nuclear Plant and the associated NRC staff's final Safety Evaluation Report.

10:15 a.m.-11:45 a.m.: Proposed Revisions to Regulatory Guide 1.189, "Fire Protection for Operating Nuclear Power Plants" (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding proposed revisions to Regulatory Guide 1.189, and related matters.

1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.: Draft Final Rule to Risk-Inform 10 CFR 50.46, "Acceptance Criteria for Emergency Core Cooling Systems for Light-Water Nuclear Power Reactors" (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding the draft final rule to risk-inform 10 CFR 50.46, and related matters.

3:45 p.m.-4:45 p.m.: Proposed Revisions to Regulatory Guides and Standard Review Plan (SRP) Sections in Support of New Reactor Licensing (Open)—The Committee will discuss the proposed revisions to Regulatory Guides and SRP Sections that are being made in support of new reactor licensing.

5 p.m.-7 p.m.: Preparation of ACRS Reports (Open)—The Committee will discuss proposed ACRS reports on matters considered during this meeting.

Thursday, November 2, 2006, Conference Room T-2B3, Two White Flint North, Rockville, Maryland

8:30 a.m.-8:35 a.m.: Opening Remarks by the ACRS Chairman (Open)—The ACRS Chairman will make opening remarks regarding the conduct of the meeting.

8:35 a.m.-10 a.m.: Potential Collaborative Research on Human Reliability Analysis Methods (Open)—The Committee will hear presentations by and hold discussions with representatives of the NRC staff regarding potential collaborative research on human reliability analysis methods.

10:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m.: Future ACRS Activities/Report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee (Open)—The Committee will discuss the recommendations of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee regarding items proposed for consideration by the full Committee during future meetings. Also, it will hear a report of the Planning and Procedures Subcommittee on matters related to the conduct of ACRS business, including anticipated workload and member assignments.

11:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m.: Reconciliation of ACRS Comments and